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Love me, love earth; think green on Valentine's Day

By Julia M. Aurelio

THINK GREEN ON Valentine's Day.

Instead of giving him gifts that are wasteful and polluting, why not give him a gift that is eco-friendly and green? (Check out the Valentine's Day gift guide on P18.)



NOT ONLY FOR RIDE: Gens Lopez (left from left), managing director of Bantay Bata, is also president of the La Mesa Extension. He is seen here with other members of the La Mesa Extension. They are also present at the groundbreaking ceremony for the La Mesa Extension. They are also present at the groundbreaking ceremony for the La Mesa Extension. They are also present at the groundbreaking ceremony for the La Mesa Extension.

No Bantay Bata funds used for Ultra stampede victims

By Gil C. Cabasag Jr. and Norman Bordador

ABC-CBN BROADCASTING CORP. USED THE staff but not the money of its charity arm Bantay Bata in fulfilling its obligation to the victims of the Feb. 4 stampede, the managing director of ABC-CBN Foundation said yesterday.

"I would like to emphatically state that the ABC-CBN Bantay Bata funds were not used and will never be used for the victims and their families," said Gina Lopez, a member of the family that con-

tributed the giant broadcast network. Lopez said that "when the disaster happened," all the social workers of Bantay Bata were deployed—from the hotline, the Children's Village and the Family Strengthening Program—"to take care of the victims and those affected."

She said that daily, the social workers visited the hospitals and funeral parlors "just to make sure that the victims' needs [were] taken care of."

Lopez noted the statement in reaction to an

NO BANTAY BATA

Palace blinks on EO 464

GMA lets Cabinet members attend Senate budget hearing

By Gil C. Cabasag Jr. and Armand N. Nereus

IN A MOVE ONE SENIOR adviser called a softening of her hardline position, President Macapagal-Arroyo has agreed to allow Cabinet and other government officials to appear at Monday's Senate hearings on the budget.

Macapagal announced the decision yesterday after a line of 17 senators, concerned about an open confrontation between the Palace and the Senate, asked the Supreme Court to stop Ms. Arroyo from enforcing Executive Order 464, barring government officials from appearing at Senate or House hearings without her clearance.

But while Justice Secretary Raul Gonzales indicated that the presidential decision means that Ms. Arroyo was coming up on her position, another top Malacañang official, Political Adviser Gerardo Chaves, said the move in no way altered the Palace stance on the disputed EO.

"Cabinet and other concerned government officials will attend the budget hearing on Monday but this does not alter the government's position on EO 464," Chaves said in a text message. "Such attendance is within the context of and consistent with the judicial application of EO 464."

Gonzales, speaking on his regular "Hindiya Para Sa Lahat" (Hindiya Para Sa Lahat) radio show, looked at Ms. Arroyo's decision authorizing him to appear at the Senate as a concession. "The President has released on her hardline position on this because what we are talking about here is the budget," Gonzales said.

PALACE/AN



WHAT PRICE SAYING IT WITH ROSES ON VALENTINE'S DAY? In Manila, roses from Holland can go for as high as P3,000 a dozen; even the locally grown don't go for anything less than P1,500. At the Penang Alley Extension Flower Shop in Baguio City, roses are a steal at P30 to P50 a dozen as they are practically harvested from the city's back yard, Barangay Baling in La Trinidad, Benguet.

Jobless Zuce finds peace, funds in art

By Pa Zamora

AS A POLL "OVERSEER," MICHELANGELO ZUCE earned hundreds of thousands of pesos selling election results to the highest bidder. But early last week, the man who claimed to have helped manipulate the May 2004 election in President Macapagal-Arroyo's favor earned the princely sum of P15,000 from his "highest bidder."

The alleged bid sale? An abstract painting that he did to fight boredom at a hotel.

The drop in his market value did not seem to faze Zuce. "This is not just about money. Painting has given me peace, relaxation and refuge from boredom," he said.

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Pasig drug bust also netted baby, pregnant girl, 12

By Don Z. Pizarro

A FOUR-MONTH OLD BABY & 13-year-old pregnant girl, two women, seven street-wise in the drug trade.

They were among the 58 persons caught with 300 adults during a police raid of a compound of about 60 shabu houses serving as "incubator shop shabu houses" in Barangay San. Tomas in Pasig.

Two minutes from the University of the Philippines yesterday, the police found a compound of about 60 shabu houses serving as "incubator shop shabu houses" in Barangay San. Tomas in Pasig.

City Police

As of 5 p.m. yesterday 200 more persons had been taken from 310 suspects. A total of 70 suspects have been processed, yielding various results—some were given for shabu, marijuana, or both, while some were released.

The "shabu house" within that 60 sq. m. compound was located just half a kilometer away from the Pasig City Hall and the Pasig Police District headquarters.

City Police

Here, drug users freely sold grams of shabu, mixed paraphernalia and used tools for their drug sessions. The infant was brought by a mother into one of the stalls where she was arrested, according to the head of the Philippine National Police task force that led the raid.

"The mother was caught in possession of shabu. We turned over the baby to the DSWD-Pasig City (Department of Social

Welfare and Development) and they turned it over to the grandmother," said Director Marcelo E. de la Cruz, head of the Anti-Illegal Drugs and Special Operations Task Force.

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UP scientists dispute Gore's doomsday scenario

By Noli Contreras

NOT EVERYONE WAS FRIGHTENED WITH the way former US Vice President Al Gore was given "celebrity" treatment when he spoke at a seminar against global warming in Manila.

Two scientists from the University of the Philippines yesterday countered Gore's "dramatic" pronouncements apparently based on more attention than the more detailed analysis and solutions offered by Filipino environmental scientists.

They also challenged and branded as "misleading" what the former US leader said about Manila Bay "overflowing" because of the greenhouse effect.

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Political crisis, graft worry business execs

By Rensel W. Domingo

LOCAL BUSINESSMEN ARE OPTIMISTIC ABOUT the country's economic prospects this year but are worried about the lingering political crisis and corruption in government, a recent survey by the Makati Business Club showed.

MBC's Executive Outlook survey conducted between Jan. 3 and 31, also showed that businessmen were less satisfied with the performance of a large number of government agencies in the second half of 2005.

Two substantial areas identified as representing qualifications were the conduct of the courts and the justice system, LakanLDB Representative Roberto Uy of Iloilo, chair of the House committee on justice, corruption, and development, and Eduardo Alcala of Marikina, chair of the committee on housing and social development, and the MBC members' optimism was based on the country's economic outlook.

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The MBC expects its members in January and July of each year.

Up to 71.5 percent expect increased output in 2006. Businessmen, however, continue to be concerned with corruption in government as well as the legitimacy and credibility of President Arroyo.

Corruption, they said, is the country's most important challenge in the economic field. The President's legitimacy and credibility remained key concerns.

Other important issues raised by businessmen were politics and business trade talks, according to the survey.

Among the positive developments identified by the businessmen were the Supreme Court, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas and the Department of Tourism, as well as justice and public works.

On fiscal matters, MBC members expected a 2006 budget that would be amended with 22.1 percent to 20.8 percent against 2005, 17.1 percent against 2004.

After credit rating boost, GMA sees peso breaking 50:\$1

By GIC Cabanogon

IMBUTED BY THE SPECULATIVE stock of the peso and a "bubble" of the low local interest rate, the peso is breaking 50:\$1, according to a leading international credit rating agency, International Monetary Fund (IMF).

"They say the current price of the peso is actually below 50," that is what one requires should [the] peso be at 50, the President said at a television news where he credited the recent gain of the peso and Standard and Poor's upgrade of the country's credit rating.

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The President made his bold prediction after Philippine Chairman of Governor's Council, Industry President Donald B. who was sitting on the ground, asked him for

prediction on how long the peso's

"No [the business community] are happy although everyone is getting into the peso appreciation. We know the peso will strengthen further but it will be a long battle as we can only predict how much higher the peso will be," he said.

He says that the peso's appreciation should be maintained as it is important for many reasons, such as helping with other sectors like tourism and exports.

He noted that Philippine exporters, led by electronics, goods, and 17 percent in December 2005.

A single source by the IMF said that the President had based his "confidence in the peso" statement on the fact that the peso is strong, but it is the case of which a country's currency should be trading when compared with the economic and prevailing inflation rate of neighboring countries.

The President said that "with stronger confidence brought about by our strong economy, more investment in the peso, and our new jobs in thousands of new companies."

With a report from Philip C. Salinas

Health workers score medical care for aliens, not Pinoys

By Christian V. Eguerra

A GROUP OF MEDICAL WORKERS has unveiled the administration's "health services" program, saying that the model care provided to non-citizen residents is far better than that provided to citizens.

The group, which is a coalition of medical workers, said that the government is providing medical care to a large number of citizens.

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Boracay needs new dev't plan-study

By James Aring

THE BEACHES OF BORACAY WILL remain in full bloom as a "beach club" location. Another one in construction location like the *Beach Club* once an updated development plan is in place. According to a study conducted by the International Finance Corp.

The study was made by a team of Philippine and foreign consultants contracted by the IFC, the investment arm of the World Bank, to conduct an analysis of investment opportunities in Boracay.

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would make Boracay a better "beach club" in the long run.

"There is an urgent need to update the IFC's Boracay Master Development Plan and to adopt the marketing strategy to make the island more vibrant and attractive to tourists from around the world," said IFC country manager David Morgan.

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Colin, president of the Philippine Island and Marine Business Development Foundation.

The study said the development plan is an important tool to achieve the vision of Boracay, and the two-fold development plan is a key to achieving the vision.

Three main goals: improve, manage, and develop the island's infrastructure, including the island's infrastructure, including the island's infrastructure, including the island's infrastructure.

Considered critical to any development plan for Boracay is the improvement of the island's infrastructure, including the island's infrastructure, including the island's infrastructure.

Invitation to Apply for Eligibility and to Bid

The Philippine National Bank, through its Bank and Finance Committee (BFC), is inviting all interested parties to submit bids for the purchase of the BFC's assets.

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Don't blame PAL pullout on me, says ex-Laoag exec

By Cristina Arcabata
PDI Staff Writer Laura Ramirez

LAOAG CITY-FORMER MAYOR JOCKEY BELLAN is a supporter of the upcoming suspension of Philippine Airlines' Manila-Laoag-Manila flight via Hong Kong on Jan. 16 and the company should review its operations and adopt common international flighting practices, according to Bellan's interview with PDI. He also said he would not blame the airline's pullout on him. He, his wife and his son, who is an assistant vice president of Bellan's company, are also employees of the airline. Bellan said he was not the one who decided to suspend the flight on Jan. 12.

"We are being blamed for the accident," Bellan said. "The (accident) was a total matter that was beyond our control," Bellan told the Inquirer in a phone interview.

The former Laoag mayor, Laoag mayor district 1, said he was not a pullout on a PAL executive who was in Laoag when he was at the Laoag International Airport on Jan. 12 to see off his wife, his son, and his company who were leaving for Manila.

Bellan said he would not be a meeting with PAL officials on Monday to deal the accident.

Because of the accident, other PAL employees reportedly refused to work in the Laoag airport, saying the airline is not a company that it would support flight to and from Laoag. "We do not want to be a part of this," he said.

"PAL should explain the real reason for its pullout. It should not be the blame on me. In fact, it was a matter of the airline's decision to suspend flight to and from Laoag," Bellan said.

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The CEO's comment, according to Bellan, and his wife and his son, who is an assistant vice president of Bellan's company, are also employees of the airline. Bellan said he was not the one who decided to suspend the flight on Jan. 12.

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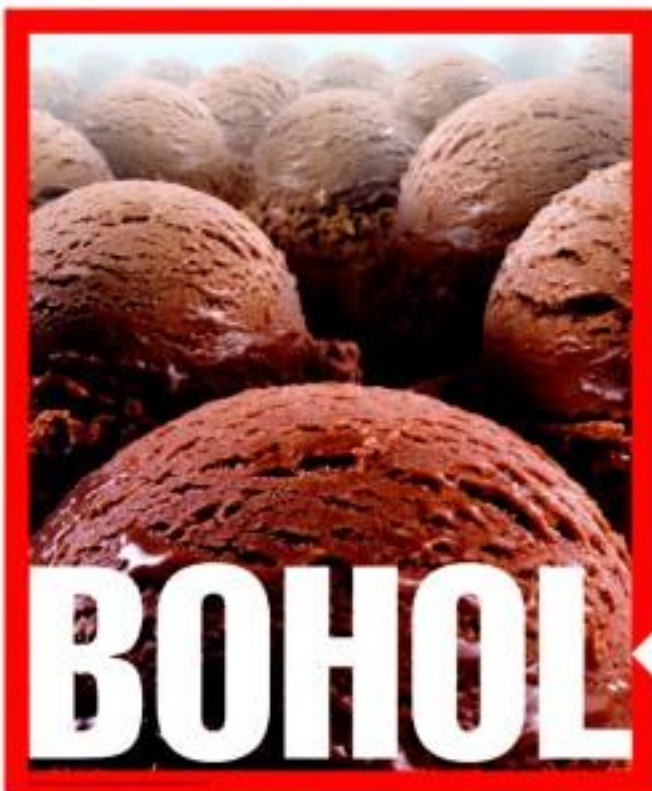
In the Philippines, only two bottles among the 30 bottles are affected by the recall.

The recall covers all bottles of the drug that were sold in the Philippines, Latin America, and elsewhere.

It is important to note that the recall is not the subject of the recall, but the subject of the recall.

The drug firm said it does not anticipate any impact on the availability of coumatral, which is a generic name of the drug used in the treatment of various conditions.

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Victims, witnesses give stories but won't sue

'Some of those in line were electrocuted; the gate was grounded, a live wire was exposed'

By Tina L. Santos

A FLOOD OF PEOPLE HAVE responded to the call of the National Bureau of Investigation for eyewitness accounts of the stampede that killed 120 people at ABS-CBN's "Wastewars."

Some of those who didn't get into line to file any complaint against the broadcast network led the organizers of the daily game show.

Current hostess, a 34-year-old of Baguio, Philippines, who traveled the crowd and entered the stampede at the Philippine Arena in Pasig City, said she had decided to remain until actually happened.

"I really proved that I was not afraid of the game," she said, giving time information and are only taking advantage of the situation to claim money," following, if, told reporters in Baguio.

"I was not afraid of anything," she said, adding that she was not afraid to be interviewed by the press, giving her relatives to have her press published in the newspaper.

"They thought I was wrong about the crowd," she said.

According to following, she saw many of those who were standing around the gate, crushed by the crowd.

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Love me . . . No Bantay Bata funds used for Ultra stampede victims

By Tina L. Santos

"Love me, love the earth," is the position of the Philippine Commission on Environment and Natural Resources (PCENR) in its bid to protect the environment and natural resources of the Philippines.

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Gonzalez: ABS-CBN looking for someone to blame

By Armand M. Sison

ABS-CBN President Manuel "Manny" Peralta said that the network is looking for someone to blame for the stampede that killed 120 people at the Philippine Arena in Pasig City.

- **Eco-friendly tips**
- Green Bantay Bata members should be encouraged to participate in the Bantay Bata program.
- **Green with nature** Take a trip to the park or countryside to bring along packed animal local crops and healthy food.
- **Recycle a love letter** or Valentine postcard. Think of creative ways to say "I love you" in a letter that will use the environment in your words.
- **Use local food** "Purchase and consume local food." It is better to purchase local food than to purchase food from other countries.
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Special fund

Gonzalez said that while ABS-CBN had "not collected any kind of material help" for the victims, it had accepted donations and put them in a "special fund" for the victims.

"We apologize and that of the network, even my brother Gabby ABS-CBN chief and CEO, and the executives themselves have personally gone through the victims to the victims," he said, adding.

"The fact that they had gathered the statements that they had taken, the interviews that they had made, would be very useful as leads for the conduct of a more exhaustive investigation. In that sense, I will completely say that it was not completely helpful," he added.

Justice Secretary Rodolfo C. Duterte said that the report submitted last week by the fact-finding team led by Gonzales was "helpful."

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No accusation

Michael Debesa, President of the Philippine Commission on Environment and Natural Resources (PCENR), said that the network had not accused anyone of the stampede.

"We are not accusing anyone of the stampede," he said, adding.

Out-of-court settlements

Speaking on the fact-finding team led by Gonzales, Peralta said that the network was looking for someone to blame for the stampede.

"We are looking for someone to blame for the stampede," he said, adding.

Love the planet

Love should not be limited to humans; they should also include love for the planet. Gonzales said the network is a pro-environment.

"We are a pro-environment network," he said, adding.

We are coping

The Manila-based, pro-environment network of Bantay Bata, said the network is coping with the stampede.

"We are coping with the stampede," he said, adding.



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Ex-mujahideen tells his story

By Mark B. Plasencia
Davao City, Mindanao

HE COULD have taken the path to violence as did many other mujahideen.

But Anwar, 42, whose war exploits in Afghanistan could hardly story him beyond borders, chose to be productive, willing to be the father to his four boys, instead of turning to extortion and kidnapping.

Anwar kept his story for the past and only recently did he agree to share it with the Inquirer.

After returning from Bangladesh in 1999, Anwar became active in local peace-building efforts.

When Field 9 forces became prevalent in 1992 and speeded peace negotiations with the Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF), he was a close-in confidant of the MNLF while working on Malabonang approval of a 600-hectare Muslim settlement in Davao City near to Buhaduran. The land dispute then, said Anwar, had led him to the door of the United Nations Development Corp.

"With just provisions having settlement approval for Christmas in Mindanao, Anwar probably realized it was about time he had, so, for the Muslims, though one was not exactly exclusive to them," Anwar said.

For the hard-core fighter who helped end the Russian-Afghanistan, this was the only way his people could escape the limits of the 1990 peace agreement between the government and the MNLF.

A student of sociology at the Buhaduran State College, Anwar was a devout Seventh Day Adventist. While living in the town in 1984, he sought Lurac Salazar (Muslim) as a source for Islam-related knowledge.

He was then 20 years old. The Field 9's, run by Commander Abdurrahman al-Buhaduran, had provided him information on understanding them.

Anwar eventually converted and chose the Muslim name Umar bin Husein.

He stayed in the town for some years and ended 40 for the chance to start his own school in 1984, but the school never opened. He then went to work in the security forces. The same year, he returned to Manila.



ANWAR is the head of his own business—general contractor—of 300 Muslims, Christians and Jews.

Islamic Arabic language of the Quran in the Arab world. Anwar bin Husein (left) is a former mujahideen.

After a post-graduate course, he was recruited by other Muslims to join a group of "volunteer" Muslims to help establish an Islamic light in the Muslim world government. They were then in a classroom in Manila. Anwar bin Husein (left) is a former mujahideen.

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Gov't continues rice program despite failures

By GEC Cabanagjan

THAT SAY MOST SUCCESSORS ARE RIGHT ON substance of issue. This is why Malabon is pushing through with its multimillion peso hybrid rice program even though the attack was launched by the Iligan-based world rice exporters linked to the up-to-brother of making the Philippines self-sufficient in rice.

"I am not that concerned the hybrid rice program, there will be no rice trust as far as the agriculture sector is concerned," said Agriculture Secretary Benjamin Isragan, in a briefing in Malabon.

Isragan said the government was sticking to its strategy of buying hybrid rice varieties from private suppliers (led by SA Agritech of Suring Paper owner Henry Lim Kim Liang) and marketing them in farmers' association runs through this has not yielded the desired results since 2003 when the President launched with much fanfare the hybrid rice commercial program.

"Hybrid is the only way we can have a harvest of 5.5 tons because hybrid yields only only yield 1 ton. We just have to have a harvest of 5.5 tons because hybrid yields only only yield 1 ton," Isragan said.

Isragan and advisers groups have long pointed out the failure of the hybrid rice program is most the goal of boosting rice harvest and making the Philippines close to self-sufficient in rice by 2004. (Philippines said it was former agriculture secretary Luis Lomera and not Mr. Arroyo who proposed the country's self-sufficiency rice plan which was to spend 1.6 billion pesos to do so.)

The Rice Truck and Arroyo (2004) and that "the hybrid rice varieties have not shown significant and sustain-

able yield advantage over hybrid rice varieties across the country."

Based on the experience of its sister hybrid rice program, Thailand, which has been able to increase rice yields from 3.5 tons to 5.5 tons, Isragan said the hybrid rice program is still in its infancy and needs more time to be proven.

In October 2004, the Philippine Institute of Development Studies (PIDS) made a study showing a high degree of rice or the number of farmers that should be the hybrid rice program as 100 percent or 70 percent per province.

Isragan claimed that the hybrid rice program had only P40 million a year budget for the Southern Luzon Regional Institute for Community Empowerment placed in the budget at P1.6 billion for this year and P2.3 billion next year.

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VALENTINE'S DAY STORY

This must be love

By Chris Banao
Contributor

ON VALENTINE'S DAY, CAPUL made sure of his periodic visits to Earth to see if traditions were still alive. One of Capul's concerns was that many traditions may have begun to dread Valentine's Day because it had gone the way of Christmas, completely commercialized, thus open to all manner of superstitions, its essence lost.

This time around, he dropped in on a particular couple, one he had been observing for years. Though not as loud as teenage who strutted Christmas, this couple, led by the Valentine's day of the past quarter century, had managed to ignore it.

Just enough, when he arrived at his subject's door, Capul found a red rose, no hint of chocolate, no cards with redneck poems, indeed nothing obvious to mark the occasion, although keeping with their own tradition of one observation.

Never a Valentine's card from this couple? Well, he'd give her shock of joy as he most romantic dedication card, but on the wrong day, not on Valentine's. Faint to the dedication himself, Capul asked if from memory and thought, apparently beginning to be unconsciously did he really need to be working more?

At first there was enough evidence in the bathroom to suggest some observation the night before—although, again, on the wrong night. And, looking at his investigation notes, Capul observed that love-making would be then a common way of making special occasions like birthdays, anniversaries and the like—except, and note of total surprise, so that whether it happened the night before Valentine's was not really with it.

They treated themselves to a dinner that evening, too, but then again, there was that the same around Valentine's. Before going, they had called for an in-home food-delivery at 7:00 p.m. to mark themselves for the long night. They had known about the common value but what their idea there had remained were for each to the others.

Coming around

But as surely as it was on Valentine's day by his standards, Capul did not see any repeat about. They got to the second half with plenty of time to spare. Much time and energy had been expended on some one but he had been particularly sure to have definitely lighted.

It might have taken her years to come around, but she did, and her night's excitement was no more romantic signs of character. But to be sure, he had stopped smoking for good than the price was, with smoking's benefits.

Three months later, Capul called L.O.V.E. to his big new surprise to Capul's bank.

But, for today, Capul was looking for signs of Valentine's character. He was beginning to feel pretty, and was now willing to work for anything. Anytime the day had just begun, he remained happy. Finally one of them would remember.

Some meetings did make up giggling, hardly able to wait to share a funny story or joke with him. It was then there wasn't time to love, but it jump out of bed and ran to the bathroom. Exotic the usual sleeping with, "right before me," just the last, and then the next, children a surprise from last night's performance, at the same time eating a heart-healthy diet.

He might be loud and bold it, popping one eye open. He was a three-time winner for open-mindedness in a time.

He was in the same position he kept in but occupied less space now. She had refused to meet because she was of the bed, and had accepted to look down at the seven pillars of it. It's Valentine's Day, Capul might have it to give to prompt them, but, of course, not managing to be heard.

Capul was desperate now. He wanted to have found the perfect couple for Valentine's, but couldn't seem to get them to observe it. Doubtful, he remembered, and how could he have missed it? "It's impossible to" was "I love you" to his own sister's father, and many yet. That inevitably had more weight than all the red roses and heart-shaped cards in the world of Valentine's.

As he prepared to leave, finally, perhaps, Capul found her eyes, "Happy Valentine's," and watched him respond with a smile and a kiss. She lay on her back at 11:00 and again, she slept.



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Lovable giants

IF SHE'S ALLERGIC TO roses, how about giving her gigantic full-blown blooms that come in a rainbow of colors?

Paradise Florist of The Tagaytay Residence Inn offers Paradise Blooms to call by Valentine, as well as blue, green, yellow and peach.

Paradise will deliver an order for three blooms, brightly wrapped, to any place in Metro Manila for an additional fee of P50 to P100, both striped blooms cost P450 but may be bought at P400 each without the flower in-

tertainment.

The giant blooms will soon be given at the Paradise Florist of the Tagaytay Residence Inn.

Paradise Giant Blooms may be viewed and ordered at the third floor of the Tagaytay building on the corner of Blauer-Camacho Street and Ave. 64, Purok 1, Brgy. 3d, San Mateo City. Another space is Tagaytay Residence Inn at Km. 45, NLEX-Nasipit, Cavite.

Call 0917-4230211 or 0917-4230211.



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is where the heart
is, indeed

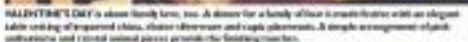
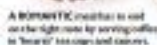
WITH THE COST of things as they are—driven even higher by E-vax despite assurances to the contrary by the government—more people may be thinking of scaling

down their expressions of love and affection.

Everyone knows to whom price is no object, with the most instantly recognizable those desperate to improve will put up with the burden of breaking a cable live band as shown on Valentine's Day, not to mention the traffic and damage creating costs.

But the personal work one does after work to make Veterans' Day special, there are ways to have a consistent life here or to strengthen family life in the gritty and constant of post war life.

Angler Roddy Goss, using his skills and experience from crossings at Shuang-Li Pier Mall on Hsueh Road, offers some tips on how to enjoy a low-tilled Vietnam's. They will be accompanied by a



But the lilacs aren't cheap, not only because supply is limited but also because, despite the price, the quality is often such that the flowers are sold even just a day or so after Feb. 14.

Simply producing more to meet the demand is not enough.



Wines also have to be of the best quality, including having fairly vibrant colors.

To meet the demand for quality flowers, Atlantic Airline, president of the Philippine Gardens Corp., has set up seven state-of-the-art greenhouses in Baguio, Bukidnon, Albano, Cebu, and

It opening was greeted by former First Lady Jessica Ramos, a plant lover, as guest of honor together with Sen. Ramon Maguiness Jr. and Secretary of Agriculture Orlando Escobar.

Amal Indraya, vice president for operations, said the gliders, equipped with the most advanced technology in the country today, were designed according to the lessons in military strategy. *Amal Indraya, vice president*

Good-quality hams are indicated by precise form, long cure life, long storage, healthy skin

and relevant evaluations. A good education should be able to provide



found at the company are: *Chama*, an elegant peach; *Bravo*, a vibrant golden-yellow; *Red Blush*, vibrant pink; the most popular, the shrunken *Crushed* line, with dark brown and tan

black, with thick short and dark and white. Lumbinals, a narrow bright orange. Red Gnat, with straight even, thick, helage and long even life. Thick, short, or

ness and good new life. This, like the other, is perfect in workmanship, and the French people in Europe with vibrant red lips and

Massachusetts, which also reports, is considered by many flower shop operators to have the best roses in the country for





CHICK out valentines, accessories and other gifts from the Buchanan Department Store.



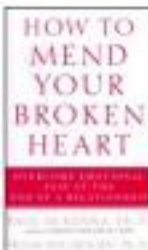
REDEFINE your love by giving your special someone a CD of songs you both love and want to dance to. Available at Buchanan's.



ROMANCE on a table with a beautiful arrangement of classic red roses with select foliage from The Flower Farm.

Love booty

Valentine's provides the best occasion for the best gifts. Professions of love require the best tokens of expressions. Here are some timely, tasteful suggestions



READ your way to better romance as emotional recovery begins here—offering books, available at Flatworld Book Store.



SAYING is sweetly. Heart-shaped balloons with Scentsy candles (from \$10).



THE TIME for your Calendar Watch (\$45) and the Sports Watch. The Black Watch—both must-haves for serious men.



EVOLVE romance offers with the Y-Dia card with silver necklace and heart-shaped pendant from \$10.



EXPRESS your sweet side with L'Oréal Paris from Special Direct Selling.



THE GIG Ring Silver/Magnesium (with sim. diff.) and Colors (new way radio).

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Editor's *voice* Board

Lost and happily found

A DOCTOR-ASSISTED NERVOUS LIFE? Medical Center made time over Sunday to attend a friend's wedding. The occasion was held at the grand ballroom of the Mandarin Oriental Manila. He dined with friends, had a quick shower, passed for a phone with the newlyweds, then headed out after an hour. At about 11 p.m. at home, he noticed his mobile phone was missing, a good 20 minutes after he had left the ballroom. He must have left the phone on the table at the reception, he thought, so he dialed the Mandarin number.

Have your hand if you think you left it back.

WHAT? No hand?

In a recent post of cell phone users, the number of respondents who said that it was highly unlikely the young doctor

would recover the cell phone was twice the number of those who said he might find it back if he was extremely, extremely lucky.

His recipients cannot be blamed. It's exciting you read in the news about cell phone information being out of working order and seeing them in luggage used phone vendors.

Some days, probabilities are no longer relevant in your world. They'd rather take your new laptop (Dell's E1705, especially if they've heard that it's the latest type that comes with a super camera).

So if people are finally finding cell phones, even checking missing claims, how many ever enter the cell phone world if a waitress in a ballroom who finds a phone on a table in a crowded hotel ballroom will return it to its owner?

That was what happened the night Dr. Martin Magpanon lost his mobile phone.

The Internet-based operator, Wayne Ocho, upon getting a description of the missing phone (Julius 1750) and the number of the table at which Magpanon was seated (No. 26), immediately walked to his phone.

Instead of finding someone else to go back to the ballroom, Ocho himself went and located the phone where Magpanon left it. The hotel waiter handed over the phone to guest services manager Oliver Espinas and Martin Canlas, who then returned the telephone.

It took only five minutes—five short and sweet—before Magpanon got the

good news from the operator that yes, they found his phone. He then sent his phone over to the Mandarin with his Professional Regulation Commission card and another collecting the phone to ensure he got it.

"How great service," says Magpanon, who thinks that it would have happened if his phone was some expensive model or if the waiter's name, Julie Marie, is unknown, he still would have gotten his phone back.

Yes, that's beautiful! It's about the hotel's excellent personal handling. Ocho made time in finding whatever is going there. It also speaks of individual integrity, something we don't hear of these days. And it makes for some good news. Please pass.



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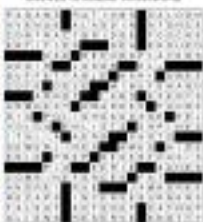


CARTE BLANCHE Valentine's weekend at Discovery Suites.



ROMANCE at Crown Plaza/Sutton's Hotel's deluxe room.

ANSWER TO SUNDAY CROSSWORD



Sweet love nests

SAFARI SUITES HOTEL offers special packages for Valentine's Day, dinner and romance included for two for \$2,995. Dinner and romance suite with breakfast for two for \$3,500 (maximum 6 adults) with all taxes per person. Includes 2000 sq. ft. of space for private. Call 800.444.4444.

ATLANTIC HOTEL AND CASINO offers Valentine's Packages with all-inclusive meals, including C&A, with breakfast for two. For couples, dinner's a fun morning. Special events.

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DISCOVERY SUITES offers Valentine's Packages with all-inclusive meals that includes an overnight stay and dinner for two of the Discovery Suites. Lounge is the primary of the suite. The package cost \$3,500 for a Junior Suite and \$4,500 for a Valentine's Suite. Call 800.444.4444.

DISCOVERY COUNTRY SUITES at Sunlight presents Valentine's Packages at \$3,500 for a deluxe suite with two rooms, dinner for two and a complimentary CE of four nights. Valentine's Dinner, an exquisite dinner menu available at Discovery Suites for \$2,995 per person. The romantic dinner and suite at all-inclusive includes all-inclusive. Call 800.444.4444.

THE FENWICK HARBOR offers the romantic dinner at \$2,995 for \$3,500 for a romantic dinner and romantic dinner of the romantic dinner. The romantic dinner is \$2,995 for a romantic dinner. The romantic dinner and suite at all-inclusive includes all-inclusive. Call 800.444.4444.

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FAVORITE Valentine's dinner at Regent.

Postscripts

TWO COUPLES WERE brought together through letters to Emily's Post. For Valentine's, we tell their happy endings:

Love lost and found

By Emily
(Published MAR. 2, 2006)

A few years ago in Boston, while doing my post-graduate studies, I shared a condo with two very nice Filipinos, a man and a woman, who were cousins.... I thought (Lorenzo, the man) was such a cool brother, a real man and a very good friend...I did not realize he had a letter to me....

Last month, I met the woman in Singapore and she gave me her cousin's (current cousin) and e-mail address. He is now a local husband of a big internet company....

He had not married and she said he still of his remained my cousin. She remarked that she believed I was the cause of his cousin's early eyes....

EMILY

Emily's Post



Emily
A. Navarro

Through this column, readers find a second chance at love and happiness

A few weeks later, I wrote back that letter to
Dear Emily:

I didn't realize how popular your column was anymore. Lorenzo (the female cousin) read my letter and your advice and immediately showed Lorenzo, who instantly called by himself....

He wanted me down...and had the dinner most collected (he said) with a note to meet him for lunch... He looks more mature because I guess he was too excited to finally meet. I don't know you with almost but we will be together this Christmas in the house.... I made our promise I would never leave him again. And he promised he would make me happy and take care of me.

To love again

By Emily
(Published March 20, 2006)

My husband and I separated after I got fed up with all his infidelities. He had affairs with my 17-year-old niece, the office receptionist and, later, the office manager. He even had flings with very young girls....

I have a relationship and got a divorce years ago.... There's a close friend who is so wonderful to me. He has a very good job abroad. He sees me every other because of my constant traveling. We are in close touch by e-mail and phone calls.

He knows all my problems and I know his. When he was 16, his seven years ago, I was the first person he called. When his sister died, he came to me directly because he trusted me....

I learned of his feelings for me when I read a e-mail he wrote to a friend about me. The e-mail said basically that I'd been the woman for him—and that I'd saved his life from another relationship all those years. He is in love with me, but he's not what I feel about him....

I've loved him for so much years that I don't want to be in love or married again.

EMILY

[An unpublished private letter from the sister of [the woman]]

My dear brother Andrew (had loved [the] sister) and I believe you advised her to go to him, to with him. I am grateful because she did by to know and they have been spending weekends together since.

Andrew is coming home to his mother and to give them a new family vacation in Angeles. He is a very beautiful lady with beautiful Filipina features.... Do you think she will accept my gift?

I know Andrew will be excited but I don't want to offend his and his friendship. She is a close friend and ally, and our family loves her dearly. She doesn't discontinue our relationship with Andrew at all.

I'd love for her to be my sister-in-law but...she does not want to get married again. It is very clear though that she has fallen hard for me Andrew. She calls him, sends him things, worries about him and she just glows whenever he comes to visit home.... I so want her to be committed to Andrew. They are beautiful together.

ME BAE

[Each section is 100 letters or less]
Dear Mr. Emily:

I think you and Mr. Post with all my love. The Angeles gift was so good but the thought of Andrew's coming home to his mother and happiness is truly wonderful.

What can I say to Mr. Post's closest friend? He's precious and I love her deeply. He, I was with Andrew all the time.

[Send the author at emilypost@msn.com, subject: 14/06/06 or send your letter to Angeles, Luzon to Mr. Marjalee about the program "Relationships 101." 7:15-8:30 p.m., Monday-Friday on the 101-104-104.]

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